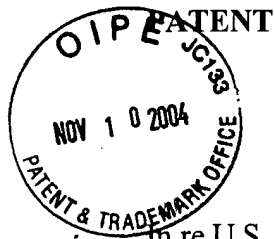


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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed 07/15/2004 ("the OA"), the undersigned respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections of record in light of the following amendment and remarks.